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SUBJECT: PANAMA CANAL NEGOTIATIONS

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1. EMBOFF MET WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S SUBDIRECTOR GENERAL FOR IBERO-AMERICA (BERMEJO), AND PRESENTED THE POINTS CONTAINED IN PARAS 2-7 REFTTEL, RELATING THE PRESENTATION TO THE KING'S UPCOMING TRIP AND NOTING OUR INTENTION TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE BEFORE HE LEAVES (BERMEJO SAID THE KING WOULD PROBABLY DEPART SEPT 5 OR 6).

2. BERMEJO AND THE OFFICIAL ACCOMPANYING HIM (SOUTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS CHIEF CERVERA) SHOWED INTEREST IN THE STATUS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS, NOTING THAT THE KING'S STAY IN EACH OF THE COUNTRIES TO BE VISITED EXCEPT VENEZUELA WOULD BE VERY BRIEF BUT THAT IN PANAMA THE SUBJECT OF THE CANAL WOULD OF COURSE ARISE.

3. BERMEJO EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT IN ALL OF HIS STOPS THE KING WOULD PROPERLY SEEK TO STAY ABOVE SUBSTANTIVE POLITICAL DISPUTES AND AVOID BEING DRAWN INTO THE PET PEEVES OR CONCERNS OF ANY OF HIS HOSTS.

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WE EXPECT THAT THIS WILL IN FACT BE THE PURPOSE OF THE KING AND OF THE GOS OFFICIALS ACCOMPANYING HIM.

4. AMBASSADOR WILL ALSO PLAN TO DISCUSS MATTER WITH FOREIGN MINISTER OREJA IN SAN SEBASTIAN NEXT WEEK. STABLER

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